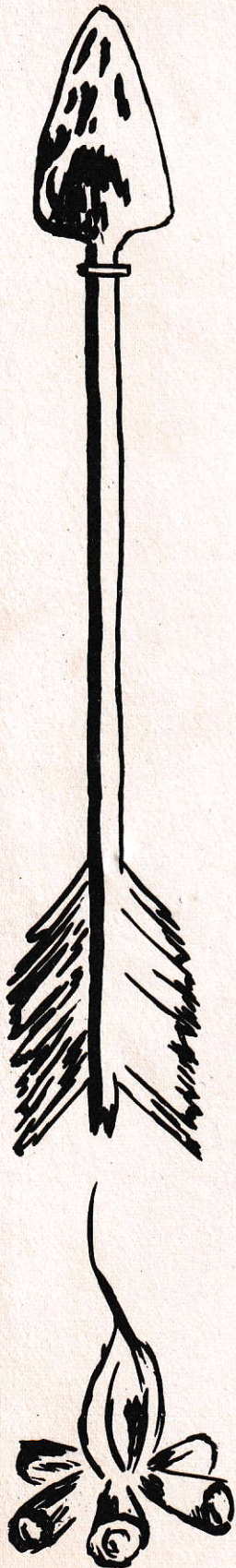


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ORDER of the Arrow

KENEU CHAPTER →

OWASIPPE LODGE
CHICAGO AREA COUNCIL - BOY SCOUTS OF AMERICA



My Brothers:

This, our 1965 Keneu Chapter Banquet, closes another book in history. A history that is filled with many hours of cheerful service, friendships that are binding, and Scouting that is real and lasting.

We take upon our shoulders a new challenge this night. A challenge that is greater than any we have experienced in our Brotherhood. As Keneu blossoms into two new chapters, may we follow a long tradition by making each of these chapters the finest chapters in our Owasippe Lodge.

Our first obligation to our Brotherhood is that of camp promotion and as such, this will be the first task to be undertaken by our new chapters. It is well to remember that camp promotion begins with us in our own unit.

He alone is worthy to wear the arrow who will continue faithfully to serve his fellow man.

Yours in WWW,

Elbert W. Aspinall

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Chapter Chief of the Fire

Brother Arrowmen,

I am sure that all the Arrowmen of Kenue Chapter are as reluctant to see the Chapter splitting as I am. However, I feel that all of us will support our new Chapters and do our best to make them even better than Keneu Chapter ever was.

It is said that one candle burns bright, but two candles burn even brighter.

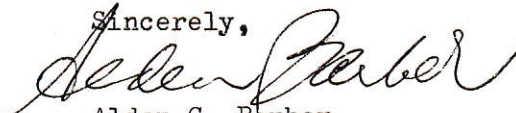
Mel Ellingsen, Jr.
Chief, Keneu Chapter

To Keneu Chapter,

Please convey to the members of the Keneu Chapter of the Order of the Arrow, which is now being formed into two new Chapters, my best wishes for their best success. Whenever we change and realign an organization, it brings about adjustments. These are never easy, but in the case of these newly formed Order of the Arrow groups I know that, under the strong leadership you have, great progress will be made.

I will be watching with interest as your organization is firmed up in the months ahead.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "Alden G. Barber". The signature is written in dark ink and is positioned above the printed name and title.

Alden G. Barber
Scout Executive

Brother Arrowmen,

My Brothers, I salute you.

Mindful of our high tradition, ponder that which is our purpose, pledge ourselves to cheerful service.

Keneu Chapter has had an enviable record in Owasippe Lodge. This is true only because of the large number of members who represented the elite of the troops and posts in our old Indian Boundary District. These Scouts and Scouters were always willing to help wherever asked. May we keep this in mind for the future.

This year of 1965 was a good one for Keneu Chapter. As in past years, we had a good number of volunteers to pass out March of Dimes posters. We were honored to run the Spring Fellowship for Owasippe Lodge where there were 96 Ordeal candidates, and 39 Brotherhood candidates. There were over 300 people at the evening meal and ceremonies. We were honored to have our Chief Mel Ellingsen, Jr., elected to Owasippe Lodge as Vice Chief. Last but not least, our district exceeded its goal in the number of boys that went to summer camp.

It has been a privilege and a pleasure to work with all of your present and past officers, and each and every one of you. I wish to thank all the officers, committee members, and all the advisers for their fine cooperation.

Yours in the Order,

Lester R. Montgomery

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Keneu Adviser

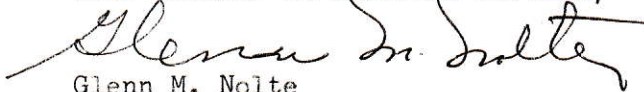
Brothers of the Arrow,

Ours is a glorious heritage full of meaning and crowded with symbolism. This heritage was given to us who were selected to the Order by our fellow Scouts and Scouters because they believed we would best continue our great traditions. We have continued these traditions and many of the persons gathered here have contributed to new traditions and have enriched our heritage.

Now we all are part of a new experience and have a honor presented to a very few Arrowmen, the forming of a new Chapter and becoming charter members of our Chapter. But the honor does not end there for there are new horizons and higher peaks of adventure open to us all. Both new Chapters are on the threshold of new traditions but that threshold must be crossed. Each and every one has the obligation to progress in this heritage and open the door to others, the experiences that were given to us. As ALLOWAT SAKIMA said when we received our Ordeal, "As a symbol of our Order, the Arrow has been fitly chosen. It must be straight, its point keen. Aimed high its course is undeviating, its direction onward and upward. It therefore becomes a token of leadership and as such, we adopt it."

He alone is worthy to wear the arrow who will continue faithfully to serve his fellow men.

Your brother in cheerful service,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "Glenn M. Nolte".

Glenn M. Nolte

Vigil Member

Gateway District Chairman

ORDER OF THE ARROW

KENEU CHAPTER

Owasippe Lodge
Chicago Area Council
Boy Scouts of America

Chapter Chief of the Fire

Elbert W. Aspinall

Chapter Chief

Mel Ellingsen, Jr.
Banquet Chairman

Chapter Adviser

Lester Montgomery

Vice Chief

Eric Gardze

Election Adviser

Mitchell A. Blakut

Treasurer

Michael Canik

Summer Camp

Promotion Adviser

Earl Ronneberg, Sr.

Recording Scribe

Bill Frueh

Ritual Adviser

Tom Praise

Corresponding Scribe

George Montgomery

Banquet Adviser

Dick Wickman

Camp Promotion Chairmen

Gerald Engel
Eric Gardze

Ritual Team:

Mel Ellingsen, Jr.
Paul Kramer
Eric Gardze
Dave Holzwarth

The VIGIL COMMITTEE has, over the years, been quite successful in nominating our worthy brothers to this high honor. Listed below are the VIGIL Brothers of Keneu Chapter:

Laurence F. Boyd
Norman Buending
Earl E. Cameron
Arthur Fritzsche
W. Kenneth Grahn
Reid Lewis
Howard D. Mattick
Walter Mattick
Robert Nelson
Glenn F. Nolte
Peter Orlebeke
Paul C. Price
Earl F. Ronneberg, Sr.
Earl F. Ronneberg, Jr.
Richard J. Sanders, Sr.
G. Webber Schimpff
Walter M. Schneider
Dick Van Gorp
Howard Wayman
Ernest Hyman
E. Melvin Ellingsen, Sr.
Rudolph J. Oliva
Edmund L. Sadlier
Richard J. Steinmetz

We are proud of these brothers and hope that our Chapter will be privileged to add to this list in 1966.

Richard J. Sanders, Sr.
Chairman, Vigil Committee

With the scent of wood smoke
Drifting on the air
and the glow of fire light
We always love to share
Visions of camp fire all return
and as the logs flame up and burn
we dream of bygone camp fires
and long for those to come

"IDEALS"

"Let it be remembered that
the Order of the Arrow was
created to help the unit...

"To help it set before its
membership a better idea
of the INNER QUALITIES of
the Good Scout Camper."

E. Urner Goodman

ELECTION ADVISER

As Election Adviser, I find it a honor to serve the Scout troops and Explorer post of the greater Gateway District.

I believe the Order of the Arrow has a very good system of the democratic way of electing a boy into the Arrow.

I remain in
cheerful service

Mitchell A. Blakut
Brotherhood

"OH MY FATHER, I AM READY
SEND ME ON THIS GRACIOUS ERRAND."

Uncas, worthy son of the aged chief Chingachgook, thus announced to his tribe, the Delawares, that he was ready to go forth and help his people even at the cost of his own life. You, too, in a different way, have served those about you, and because of this, they have seen fit to elect you to membership in the Order of the Arrow, which in the language of the Lenni Lenape Indians is:

WIMACHTENDIENK

WINGILAUCHIK

WITAHemui

Congratulations, Brother, on your achievement of membership in the Order of the Arrow. We are confident that this membership was wisely bestowed. We trust you have been inspired toward a lifelong purpose of cheerful service. We know that this honor and election to our Brotherhood, a honor few receive, was bestowed, "not so much for what you have done, but for what you will do." You are expected to fulfill this obligation which you accepted when you were inducted. Those who elected you will look to you for leadership, for wisdom, and for guidance. You are now an Arrowman; do not fail those who elected you.

THE OWASIPPE LODGE

The Owasippe Lodge takes its name from the Owasippe Scout Reservation, named after the great Indian Chieftain of the Pottawotami Tribe. The legend of Owasippe and his two sons is part of our lodge tradition, which is woven into the history of the Owasippe Reservation. Just as Owasippe's two sons went through a period of testing, so did you. That you are now with us proves that you succeeded.

The history of our Brotherhood in the Chicago Area Council goes back to 1921. At that time each of the section camps of the Reservation petitioned the National Lodge for charters. In 1928 these lodges merged and formed the Owasippe Lodge. In the same year the National Lodge chartered this new lodge. The lodge, however, divided into six chapters and each chapter maintained its powers and program as they were before the merger. In 1953 the lodge followed the council and divided into one chapter in each district.

We are presently chartered by the National Committee on the Order of the Arrow. Our lodge is further subdivided into twenty-five self-governing chapters, one chapter for each district in the Chicago Area Council. Not all lodges are organized into chapters, but the immense size of the Owasippe Lodge makes such a division necessary. The Lodge Executive Council, which is the governing body of the lodge, is composed of the Chapter Chiefs and other delegates. This council sets down the rules and policies for the lodge and sets up a framework of general policy within which the chapters of the lodge operate.

THE OWASIPPE LODGE RULES

Here is a summary of the Owasippe Lodge Rules in which you will be interested. These are the Rules which govern the lodge and to which the chapters must mold their own operation.

I

The name of this lodge shall be the Owasippe Lodge of the Order of the Arrow, W.W.W.

The Totem of the Owasippe Lodge shall be the hand of Fellowship, plus the Arrow nestling in the palm of the hand.

II

There shall be an Executive Council of the Lodge, which shall consist of the Lodge Officers and the Chapter Chief or Alternate Delegates from each Chapter in the Lodge, with the Supreme Chief of the Fire, Lodge Adviser, preceding Lodge Chief and committee Advisers constituting the nonvoting membership. The Executive Council shall be the governing body of the Lodge, and the Lodge and its Chapters shall be subject to its legislative authority.

The governing body of each Chapter shall be an Executive Committee which shall consist of the elected Chapter Officers and the Meteu, Chapter Adviser, Financial Adviser, Chapter Chief of the Fire, District Camping and Activities Committee Chairman or his representative, and the Chapter committee chairmen and their advisers.

III

Any Scout, Explorer or Scouter CAMPER, actively registered, is eligible for election into the Order.

A camper is one who has camped for a minimum of fifteen days and nights, not more than seven of which can be a long-term camp, such as summer camp.

Before induction, candidates must have reached the rank of First Class Scout. There is no rank requirement for Explorers or Scouters.

Brotherhood Membership is conferred upon those Ordeal members who have continued in service to Scouting and camping for at least ten months since their Ordeal induction and are registered in the Boy Scouts of America and the Owasippe Lodge.

A candidate for the Vigil Honor shall have been a Brotherhood Member for at least two years and measure up to the following:

- Had long service to Scouting, beyond four years.
- Held positions of leadership, patrol leader and up.
- Continued in leadership.
- Held positions of leadership in the Lodge and Chapter.
- Given service to the Order through a minimum of five committee projects.
- Given service to camping.
- Given leadership to other youth and committee groups.

IV

All elected officers and the Meteu of the Lodge and the Chapters shall be elected or appointed before their twenty-first birthday. An officer who becomes twenty-one during his term may complete his term of office but is ineligible for any succeeding election.

V

An active member shall pay annually a \$1.00 dues. The Chapter may charge an additional activity fee, but a member cannot be compelled to pay more than \$1.00 if for some reason he cannot actively participate in the Chapter. (e.g. - Armed Service, College, etc.)

ARROW INSIGNIA

You may secure the Order Insignia at the Trading Post, either in camp or at the Council Service Center, 300 West Adams, 60606.

The Ordeal pin is the Arrow.

The Brotherhood pin is the Lodge Totem.

The Vigil pin can be the Lodge Totem with superimposed triangle or a single triangle pin with gold filled arrows.

The sash is to be worn point upwards, over the right shoulder. It is to be worn only at Order of the Arrow affairs and should not be worn at any other times (e.g. troop meetings).

The lodge patch and the silver arrow on a ribbon may be worn anytime and should be placed on the right shirt pocket.

Should you have other questions on the Order, you may buy a copy of the Order of the Arrow Handbook at the Trading Post.

HISTORY OF THE ORDER OF THE ARROW

In the summer of 1915, the Director of Treasure Island, the Philadelphia Council Camp, finding it desirable to have some definite system of recognition of those Scouts who stood out in Wimachtendienk, W.W., later known as the Order of the Arrow. Dr. E. Urner Goodman was the camp director and Carroll A. Edson was his assistant. Together they held the Arrow's first meetings and ceremonies in a bit of woods not generally used for activity purposes. Here they created a council ring where all honors were awarded.

As the highest camp honor, one Scout, previously chosen by each troop at the end of its stay in camp, was inducted into this the beginning of the Order. From that time forward, the Order has been centered in the camp program, not only at this, its original home, but in hundreds of Councils now operating lodges.

The order grew slowly until after the First World War. But the plan of organizing and utilizing the Scouts of finest spirit in camp proved so helpful that after the war lodges were formed in several other Councils.

The First National Convention convened in Philadelphia, on October 7, 1921, and a National Lodge, composed of all the local lodges, was formed and took over the affairs of the Order, adopted a Constitution and a statement of policies.

Following this initial convention, a steady progressive growth in lodges and membership was noted. In November 1929, at the National Lodge meeting, some discussion was had pointing to the adoption of the Order by the National Council of the Boy Scouts of America as a component part of its program. At a session of the National Lodge in 1933, held at the Owasippe Scout Reservation, this proposal was definitely made and ratified by the delegates. On June 2, 1934, the Order of the Arrow was approved by the National Council of the Boy Scouts.

In May 1949, the National Council Executive Board of the Boy Scouts approved the complete integration of the Order of the Arrow in the program of the Scouting movement. This action resulted in the dissolution of the National Lodge of the Order and brought its National supervision directly within the regular administrative channels of the Boy Scouts of America. Thus the National Executive Committee of the Order became the National Committee on the Order of the Arrow, a subcommittee of the National Committee on Camping and Special Events.

Truly the world of opportunity for service is yours. The Order of the Arrow is yours. We are proud of our organization, for it is a living group. As long as individuals such as you become vitally interested in carrying out what so many before you have undertaken, that is to render unselfish service to others, the life of our lodge will be assured and its ideals will survive. Remember always, "He who serves his fellows is, of all his fellows, greatest."

PRINCIPLES OF THE ORDER

In keeping with the purpose of the Order, our Brotherhood is primarily a service organization. The work that you did as part of your Ordeal benefited the camp and the Scouts who use the camp and its facilities. In the future, you can expect to be called to give of your time and talents in the service of Scouting. Those who forget the spirit of cheerful service may belong to the Order of the Arrow, but they are not Arrowmen. They cannot find the true spirit of our Brotherhood, nor can they understand the cheerfulness of those who do their best to serve others.

The Order of the Arrow is a democratically run organization. Its members were all elected, like you, by their fellow campers. The officers are elected by you and the other members of your Chapter.

The Arrow is for Scouts and for Explorers. It is your organization. Brothers over twenty-one cannot run for office, nor can they vote in any election.

Your unit was able to elect you to the Order because it was a camping unit. When you take part in your Chapter's camp promotion project, you will find there are units, far too many of them, that cannot hold elections because they do not have five Scout campers in their ranks. Your first MOST IMPORTANT duty to the Arrow is to take part in your unit's activities, and pass on your camping skill and knowledge to the new Scouts in your unit. Do this, and nothing more, and you will be first in the eyes of your Brothers in the Order.

Always keep in mind the fact that the Order of the Arrow is not separate from the Scouting movement. Its life blood is Scouting. You cannot be a faithful member of the Order of the Arrow unless you are an active, dedicated Scout, registered and active in a unit.

PURPOSE OF THE ORDER OF THE ARROW

The National Committee of the Order of the Arrow has set down a fourfold purpose of the Order of the Arrow.

1. To recognize those campers who best exemplify the Scout Oath and Law in their daily lives and by such recognition cause other campers to conduct themselves in such a manner as to warrant recognition.
2. To develop and maintain camping traditions and spirit.
3. To promote Scout camping, which reaches its greatest effectiveness as part of a unit's camping program and to strengthen the District and Council camping program both year-round and in the summer camp, as directed by the Camping and Activities Committees of the Council.
4. To crystallize the Scout habit of helpfulness into a life purpose of leadership in cheerful service to others.

This fourfold purpose is the very heart of the Order of the Arrow. Every member should be familiar with it. In it you will find the secret of the growth of our Brotherhood, and its continued success. YOU, as a new member, must adopt this fourfold purpose as your own, to guide you in your Scouting life. By working toward this end, you and others with you, will insure the success of Brotherhood of which you are now a part, and will strengthen the spirit of Scouting so that it can continue to be the greatest youth movement in the world today.

You can start by attending every Chapter meeting and taking part in the business of these meetings; if you do not understand what is taking place in the Arrow, seek information from the older members or the Chief.

Your Chapter has many service committees. Try to get on at least one of them. Seek out the Chairman of the Service and Ideas Committee and offer your services. Tell them how much time you have at your disposal.

Your membership in the Order of the Arrow should strengthen your troop affiliation. If you have a position that carries responsibility, give the best service, help your troop to grow and be active in troop, community and Council activities.

A GUIDE TO PRONUNCIATION

To help you to pronounce some of the words used in the Order of the Arrow, we present a key to their pronunciation, which we hope will help you in future Arrow work.

Ahoalton	Ah'-ho-al'-ton
Allowat Sakima	Al'-lo-wot Sa-kee'-ma
Chingachgook	Ching'-gatch-gook
Kichkinet	Kitch-kin-et'
Lenni Lenape	Len'-nee Len-ah'-pee
Meteu	Me-tay'-u
Uncas	Un'-cas
Wimachendentienk	Wee-mok'-ten-dee-enk
Wingilauchik	Win-go-louch'-sick
Witahemui	Wi-tah-hem'-oo-ee

(') indicates accent or emphasis

THE ARROW SONG

Firm bound in Brotherhood
Gather the clan that cheerful service
Brings to fellow man.
Circle out council fire,
Weld tightly ev'ry link
That binds us in Brotherhood
Wimachtendienk.

